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SUBJ: SAVIMBI VISIT TO IVORY COAST

1. JONAS SAVIMBI, HEAD OF UNITA (NATIONAL UNION FOR THE TOTAL LIBERATION OF ANGOLA), ARRIVED IN ABIDJAN JUNE 11. HE SAID THE PURPOSE OF THE VISIT WAS TO MEET WITH PRESIDENT HOUPHOET-BOIGNY TO "BENEFIT FROM HIS WISDOM."

2. SAVIMBI SAID THERE EXISTED IN ANGOLA THE DESIRE FOR PEACE AND UNITY. DIVISIONS AMONG THE THREE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS ARE DISAPPROVED OF BY THE POPULATION, HE SAID, AND THE MOVEMENTS FIND THEMSELVES LOSING THE BACKING OF THE PEOPLE. A SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM, HE ADDED, COULD BE FOUND WITH THE HELP OF OTHER AFRICAN COUNTRIES.

3. SAVIMBI SAID THAT HE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE UPCOMING SUMMIT CONFERENCE OF THE THREE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS, SCHEDULED FOR THIS SATURDAY IN NAIROBI, WITH "REALISTIC HOPE." HE WOULD NOT SPECULATE ON WHETHER A POLITICAL SOLUTION, AGREEABLE TO ALL SIDES, WOULD DEFINIATELY BE REACHED.

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